GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4228
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SELLING RIGHT CLAUSE IN BOOK STALL AGREEMENTS
BHAN SINGH BHAURA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sole selling right clause has been provided in all the bookstall agreements as per the letters No. 461-TG.III/58/9 dated August 18,1960 and November 1,1960;

(b) whether the said sole selling right clause has been withdrawn from all the current bookstall agreements as per letterNo.75/TG.III/461/19 dated January 2, 1976 to avoid building of monopoly ;

(c) whether the said sole selling right clause has also been withdrawn all together from the agreement of M/s A.H. Wheeler & Co. ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Previously, M/s. A.H. Wheeler & Co. had exclusive rights for running bookstalls over entire railway or over large portions of railway. From 1.9.1960 these exclusive rights were reduced to only sole rights at stations, where they were already holding bookstalls. This clause was further modified in 1975 & 1976 under which railway can allot bookstalls to any other eligible categories at platforms constructed after 1.1.1976 at stations where M/s. Wheelers have sole selling rights.